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Remarks:

John -

As requested by ______ I read Admiral Taylor's memo on COMIREX participation in the field of MC&G at the COMIREX meeting last week. Then, as shown by the attached, I sent a copy of the memo, along with my comments to Admiral Taylor on COMIREX procedures in this field, to COMIREX principals and to the Chairman, MC&G Working Group.

Will you please keep me currently advised as to the direction you are taking in your recommendations on implementation of your MC&G

study. I believe you will agree that such information will be of help to me in carrying out Admiral Paylor's instructions to look into how USIB and COMIREX can withdraw from the MC&G requirements business without upsetting the present programs.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Committee on Imagery Requirements

and Exploitation

SUBJECT:

COMIREX Participation in the Field of

Mapping, and Geodesy

Attached is a copy of the memorandum from Admiral Taylor that I read to you at our meeting on 18 July. I am also attaching the description of COMIREX procedures that I sent to Admiral Taylor and which precipitated his memorandum.

Chairman

Committee on Imagery Requirements and Exploitation

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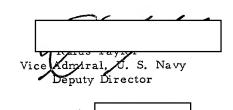
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: COMIREX Participation in the Field of MC&G

I am responding to your memorandum of 15 July via General Reynolds so that he may append his comment. While I do not want to upset the present working arrangements on the handling of photographic collection for MC&G until a decision is made on General Reynolds' study, I find one factor that bothers me and is not made clear in your memorandum. I refer to the establishment of requirements. As you know, it is my view that MC&G should not be considered as an intelligence program. Therefore, I do not think that USIB should establish the requirements for collection of information for MC&G.

2. The description of what your Committee does with regard to the assignment of priorities for photographic collection of MC&G data seems quite reasonable to me. As I view it, what you're doing is making a determination of how much coverage we can allocate to MC&G without undue interference to intelligence collection. This seems to me to be an appropriate function for your Committee. However, as soon as it can be done without upsetting the program, I think that USIB, and hence your Committee, should get out of the business of establishing requirements for photo coverage for MC&G purposes.

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Index Cameras	
In view of the relatively low intelligence value of the photography from the index cameras and their importance to mapping, charting, and geodesy, COMIREX has authorized the NRO to operate these cameras normally to meet the specific needs of the mapping, charting, and geodesy community. COMIREX retains the right, however, to change this practice whenever it is desirable to do so.	
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